Research Computing Advisory Committee
Minutes Sep 16, 2013 (taken by Erik Deumens)

Present: Paul Avery, Sophia Acord, S. Balachandar, Reed Beaman, Denise Bennett, Mike Conlon, Erik Deumens, Bill Farmerie, Felix Liu, Sara Gonzalez, Lauren McIntyre, Alberto Riva

Mission

Elias Eldayrie, VP and CIO, asked Paul Avery, chair, and Erik Deumens, director of Research Computing, to work with the committee and develop a strategy and plan, with measurable goals and targets, for an information campaign to make faculty at the University fully aware and cognizant of the opportunities and services now available through Research Computing for the support of their research in science, engineering, and scholarship. The significant investments made by the University in cyber-infrastructure culminating this spring with the installation of HiPerGator warrant a focused effort to make sure every faculty member and researcher at UF is aware of the new opportunities.

Discussion

The committee started the discussion with enthusiasm. A substantial list of suggestions was compiled and will be refined, extended, and formulated into a real plan of the next several weeks. The next RCAC meeting will also be dedicated to this topic.

Organization

The web site has been updated and now shows the meeting schedule through the fall 2013 at http://www.it.ufl.edu/governance/advisorycommittees/researchcomputing.html.

Next meeting will be on Monday October 7 at the usual location in NPB 2205 from 1:30 – 2: 30 pm.